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INVENTOR: Peter WEINHOLD et al.	DOCKET NO.: 4541
APPLICATION NO.: 10/615,148	CONFIRM. NO.: 8214
FILING DATE: July 7, 2003	ART UNIT: 2837
TITLE OF INVENTION: Engine Exhaust Muffler with Guide Vaness Imparting a Successively Alternating Spiral Swirl Gas Flow	EXAMINER: E. SAN MARTIN

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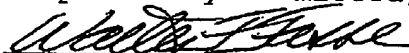
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Dear Sir:

- 1) For filing in the above application, we are enclosing:
Response (15 pages) to the Final Office Action of October 19, 2005.
- 2) No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

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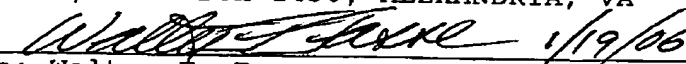
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RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION OF OCTOBER 19, 2005,
INCLUDING AN ATTACHED COVER SHEET WITH CERTIFICATE OF TELEFAX
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the above identified application as follows.

[RESPONSE CONTINUES ON NEXT PAGE]

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